

CONGRESS ON VERGE OF EARLY COLLAPSE THINK POLICIANS

Two Months of Inactivity Too Much For Democrats and Depression Is General

DELAY IN COMMITTEES HOLDING UP PROGRESS

Members of Former Administration in Washington Whooping It Up For Preparedness

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A congress near breaking down in an unusual spectacle in Washington. Such a congress has not been before in many years, although there have been nothing but congresses galore. But doing nothing congresses have been designated as a rule. The leaders thought it in best after deliberation that little should be accomplished. This was generally based on the theory of government that too much legislation is most often an evil.

But the first session of the sixty-fourth congress, Democratic in both branches, after nearly two months of inactivity, is on the verge of collapse. Probably it will not collapse for some one leader or group of leaders is certain to arise with a sufficient following to push some measure through. But it remains that no one thus far has arisen. Congress is drawing away time in both branches. The leaders, such as they are, have no power to change the situation unilaterally. The President probably would have the strength to make congress hump itself but, for peculiar reasons, he is unwilling yet to use it.

Depression Is General

Depression is written all over the congressional enterprises. Nobody is hustling. There is a lack of spirit everywhere. The things that should be done in days are done in weeks and are usually left unfinished. For instance, the senate has been yawning away on the Philippines self-government bill, which most of the senators of both parties are for. It has been debating this bill for more than a month and at this writing the end is not yet. The house is doing a little better but not much. Not a single one of the big appropriation bills has yet been disposed of. The house is waiting on its committees. The way a house committee works is demonstrated in naval affairs. Rear-Admiral Stanford, chief of the bureau of yards and docks, has been testifying there for nearly a month and has just finished. He is capable man but very much of a subordinate naval affairs, having to do primarily only with construction and maintenance of yards and docks. Naval Affairs Bind Committee

There are eight or nine bureaus in the navy department, all of them important, but most of them of larger relative importance in the fighting equation than yards and docks. The conclusion is plain that to hear these divers bureau chiefs, to say nothing of divers experts and others who would want to testify, or should be allowed to testify, the house committee would be occupied for the best part of a year. The proposed navy increase comes on the regular annual appropriation bill, however, and this bill is made up of the annual testimony now being taken. Little wonder that a lot of men are becoming thoroughly disgusted.

Roosevelt in Background

There has been a marked infusion of high former officials from past Republican administrations during the past week. They have been in Washington attending sessions of the National Security League and whooping it up for a big army and a big navy just when Democratic energies in congress have been at rather low ebb. Practically all these Republican former officials are from Coast states, where demands for preparedness are nearly unanimous. There have been former Attorney General McKim, former Secretary of State Robert Bacon, former Secretary of War Luke E. Wright, former Secretary of War Henry L. Shuman, and former Secretary of the Navy George von L. Meyer. This list, of course, suggests former President Theodore Roosevelt, in whose cabinets most of these men served and, indeed, during all the sessions of the National Security League, Roosevelt was very conspicuously in the background. He did not come to Washington but he got as near as Philadelphia and all the week he was very active, putting out a speech or a written statement of some kind about preparedness almost every day.

May Help Boost Colonel

This league, it is readily inferred, is very much created out of the former President's and has been doing a lot of effective work arousing public sentiment for better armament, but its activities have been received with some popular suspicion on the ground that it could be made an exceedingly effective organization for helping boost Roosevelt again into the presidency. It was noticeable that during the prolonged deliberations of the week, there was studied effort to ignore President Wilson's recommendations for preparedness. Secretary of War Garrison was a little perturbed now and then because he is acceptable to the regular army authorities as head of the war department. Secretary of Navy Daniels on the other hand was studiously ignored and former Secretary Meyer, whom he succeeded was made very much of a lion.

Also Helms President Wilson. Nevertheless the National Security League, with its throng of prominent Roosevelt adherents, most of whom are

MAN OF MYSTERY HERE FROM TEXAS

Wise Persons Link Judge Kemp With All Kinds of Federal Positions

Another man of mystery was in the federal court yesterday. It is some time since any mysterious man made Honolulu sit up and take notice, but the arrival yesterday in the Lurline from the mainland of Judge Samuel B. Kemp of the city of Robert Lee, Cooke County, Texas, was the second of the deadly guesswork to get busy.

Judge Kemp is accompanied by his wife and daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Kemp. As soon as he located his women folk the Texas jurist hid himself to the federal building, where he met District Attorney Vaughan, who is also a Texan, and who knows the new man slightly. Judge Kemp attended court throughout the morning, with Lou Wahl, the court messenger, was on trial on a charge of having opinion in possession, and of which charge, by the way, the defendant was acquitted. Many of those in court began to place the newcomer. He was here, more or less, to take Judge Dole's place, said one. Another knew all about it. Why Judge Kemp is the special investigator to department of justice was to send here to investigate the charges made in Washington by the former district attorney, J. McKim, against his successor, who thought this man. He was here, said others, to succeed C. G. Biting as assistant district attorney, and still others were sure Judge Kemp came to Honolulu to succeed Mr. Vaughan. The guessing keeps going apace.

Officers and passengers in the Lurline say that Judge Kemp made the statement aboard that he was coming to Honolulu to be assistant to Mr. Vaughan. To Mr. Vaughan and others a Honolulu Judge Kemp said that he came to this city to practice law and that he was not an office-seeker at all. "Had Judge Kemp been named to be my assistant, I am quite sure the attorney general's department would have advised me of the fact," said District Attorney Vaughan.

One federal official, who claims to be in touch with the real situation, says that Judge Kemp is here to conduct that investigation already spoken of, and that should Vaughan be exonerated he will remain in office as district attorney, while John A. Biting, former territorial governor of New York, who is expected here shortly, will be made federal judge in place of Judge Dole.

HAWAII TUNA CLUB WILL HOLD ITS ANNUAL SESSION

The annual meeting of the Hawaii Tuna Club will be held at the office of the Hawaiian Trust Company tomorrow afternoon at four o'clock. Business of importance will be transacted and in view of the great impetus given to game fishing in Hawaii through the recent world record catch of game fish in local waters by J. W. Jump of Los Angeles, the holder of the world record for yellowtail at Catalina, the directors especially ask all members to be present.

MAUI MERCHANTS WANT MONEY FOR PROMOTION

The Maui chamber of commerce has notified the supervisors of the Valley Islands that the chamber is in favor of having the county appropriate whatever money it can spare, in no case less than fifty dollars a month, for the work of publicity.

WAIMEA WHARF AUTHORIZED

The board of harbor commissioners at its meeting yesterday morning approved the plans and specification for the Waimea wharf, on Kauai, and authorized Superintendent of Public Works Forbes to call for tenders for the work, which will cost in the neighborhood of \$30,000. The bids will be opened March 1.

MEXICAN BANDITS FIRE UPON PASSENGER TRAIN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) NEW YORK, February 9.—Four American mining engineers, arriving today from Vera Cruz, reported that their train from Mexico City to Vera Cruz was under constant fire by bandits operating along the line, and that for safety they traveled in an armored car armed with four three-inch guns with which to meet the guerrillas at attack. They said the entire country from the seacoast to Mexico City is infested with bandits.

POSSE TO JAIL OFFICER WHO KILLED A NAVAJO

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, February 8.—In view of the threatened uprising of Hopi Indians on the Navajo reservation near Phoenix, the Indian service and the department of justice have joined in sending a posse to Tuba. The posse is to arrest the policeman charged with killing an Indian, the incident which led to the trouble.

disconsolate over being out of office, is willing to do anything, doing much toward helping President Wilson to win the country. They made large plans for pursuing their propaganda, which includes stirring up the apathetic Middle West. They are sending moving pictures, and disseminating information to show how much men, more ships and more guns are needed. And that sort of industry particularly helps President Wilson at this special juncture. It matters little, for the moment, that the League wants larger military increases than the President favors.

WILDER PROTESTS FORBES' EXPENSES

Warns Territorial Auditor and Members of Two Commissions Against Paying Them

Attorney A. A. Wilder yesterday formally notified Territorial Auditor Fisher that any attempt to pay the expenses of the recent trip of Superintendent of Public Works Forbes to Washington, by the public utilities commissioners, would result in action by the grand jury. The attorney also sent letters to the members of the two commissions mentioned. His letter to the auditor is as follows:

"I enclose for your information copies of letters which I have sent to the public utilities commission and the board of harbor commissioners, which explain themselves. 'You, of course, if you approve any such vouchers as are referred to, are liable to be prosecuted criminally.' The letters to the members of the public board and the members of the public utilities commission are identical in wording. The letter to the harbor commissioners is as follows: 'You are individually and collectively notified that if any of you alone or in conjunction with the other members, certify or approve or direct the certification or approval for payment of my voucher for all or any portion of the expenses of Charles C. Forbes from Honolulu to Washington and return on his recent trip, the facts will be laid before the grand jury with the idea of having each of you prosecuted individually under the statutes applicable thereto.'"

Governor Pinkham, asked about the matter, declined to make any statement beyond saying "the payment of Mr. Forbes' expenses is a purely routine matter and should be treated as such."

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL TAKES ON NEW LIFE

Waialea Institution Now On Military Basis and Boys Are Well Pleased

Reorganization of the boys' industrial school at Waialea has created a new spirit among the inmates; affairs are moving smoothly now; the boys are taking interest in their duties and a general air of different atmosphere prevails. This is the gist of a statement from the new principal, Frank Anderson.

"The school has been placed on a military basis," he says, "and the various departments have been completely reorganized to the satisfaction of all. A new spirit has developed among the boys and everything is running smoothly. 'Will you kindly insert in your paper a call for magazines and books that interest the boys? A library has been started and the school funds will not permit financially the purchase of books, we are hoping that kind city folk who have the boys' welfare at heart will respond generously.'"

"I have consulted the officials of the Y. M. C. A., asking their advice in securing positions for worthy boys who leave the institution; the keen interest shown is gratifying to us. 'We have adopted a motto. It is: 'The welfare of the boy after he leaves the school, as well as during his stay.'"

ARRANGEMENTS ARE MADE FOR MEETING ON HAWAII

G. H. Vickers, promotion committee representative at Hilo, has written that "practically all of the arrangements for the coming visit of the committee next month have been completed. No definite date has as yet been set for his visit, but it will be on the fourth or the eleventh of March."

GAS EXPLOSION KILLS SEVEN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WILKES-BARRE, Pennsylvania, February 9.—A gas explosion in the Plymouth mine of the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal Company yesterday wrecked one of the galleries and killed seven of the miners.

MEAT MAKES ACHY BACKS

Meat eaters are apt to have weak kidneys and lame, aching backs. The kidneys are at work all the time, filtering uric acid out of the blood, and a heavy meat diet increases the production of uric acid so greatly that in time it is likely to overwork and weaken the kidneys.

A little meat is good, and athletes or others who do heavy physical exercise out of doors can stand a lot of it, but persons who work inside should cut down on meat as soon as they begin to feel heavy after eating, and are having backache, headache, dizzy spells, rheumatic pains, nervous troubles and irregular action of the kidneys.

Neglect of this condition leads to danger of gravel, dropsy and Bright's disease. Don't delay. Strengthen the kidneys by using Doan's Backache Kidney Pills. Thousands will tell you how good they are. "When Your Back Is Lame—Remember the Name." Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for Doan's Backache Kidney Pills and take no other. Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists and storekeepers at 50c a box (six boxes \$2.50), or will be mailed on receipt of price by the Hollister Drug Co., or Benson Smith & Co., agents for the Hawaiian Islands.

Additional Sugar News OPINION CHANGING ON LAND MATTERS

National Commission Favors Leaseholds To Farmers and Many Other Reforms

The "commission on industrial relations," which has conducted exhaustive researches and reports covering American agriculture in all its phases, has recently submitted its final report to Congress. The commission was formed several years ago, its members having been appointed by the President, two from each side, and its activities have covered an investigation of European as well as American conditions.

Rural credits, land ownership, tenancy, farm taxation and other matters existing between land owners, tenant farmers and farm laborers have been some of the problems considered by the commission. Among other things in this report it is interesting to note that the commission recommends the enactment of congressional legislation favoring long-term leaseholds rather than ownership of agricultural lands.

"Fair Rentals" Key to Situation. What is needed, the commission says, is legislation providing farm and tenancy laws to give security, control, and protection of the interests of the tenant, in the matter of such improvements as he may make on a leasehold while it is in his possession. "Fair rentals" are declared to be the key to the situation. Hence the commission recommends that "national and state land commissions be organized with power to set fair rental rates and to hear evidence given by landlords and tenants as to questions that have to do with fair rents, safety of tenure and improvements made by tenants on leasehold property."

"These commissions should operate farm bureaus to act as agents between landlords and tenants in the distribution of tenant labor, the preparation of equitable contracts, and the securing of farmers, and secure a better distribution of seasonal farm labor."

The development of better credit facilities through the assistance of the government, and the co-operative organization of farmers and tenants is recommended. There should also be modernized rural schools and compulsory education of children. A revision of the tax system so as to exempt from taxation all farm improvements, and to tax unimproved land at its full rental value, are also recommended. The remarkable thing about all this is that Hawaii has already incorporated some of the principles involved into its statutes, and to that extent is in advance of most mainland communities. These advances have been made in an orderly way, and procedure has developed in accordance with conditions as they are. The circumstances that in the beginning the lands were held in very large bodies, by the ali, rather than by the common people, led to the natural building up of a leasehold system.

Hawaii's Advanced Position. The Hawaiian public land system has been subjected to severe criticism often and from many sources. Now it begins to appear that the system is in many respects better than that of home-made lands in the mainland. The greatest use of land for agricultural production. That seems to be the judgment of this national commission. Hawaii has already handled these problems through commissions—the land board, board of immigration, and so on.

The great land-owning estates have in most cases adopted extremely liberal policies toward tenants. One of these (the Bishop Estate) has been notable in its co-operation with tenants to assist them in developing agricultural lands under its control. The Hawaiian spirit of live and let-live has expressed itself in practice as between landlord and agricultural tenant even where it has not been incorporated in the law.

Unsettled Charges. The industrial relations commission has made other recommendations. Among these are the adoption of the European rural credit system; to adopt the Irish land bill and the Australian land colonization systems to our American conditions; and the enactment of laws under which the government can "resume" large bodies of agricultural lands, at their appraised value, cut down on meat as soon as they begin to feel heavy after eating, and are having backache, headache, dizzy spells, rheumatic pains, nervous troubles and irregular action of the kidneys.

The commission further recommends that the government, in its dealings with small farmers, colonists, homesteaders and leaseholders charge them only the interest rate that the government itself has to pay, plus a small surcharge to pay the cost of government administration. These recommendations have been made by a strong majority of the ninety-six men who composed the commission.

Not All Dreamers. There were two commissioners from each state, and among their number were leaders among the bankers, business men, political economists, agricultural scientists and teachers of the United States. It was a non-partisan commission. Those recommendations stand as far separated from what "social writers and speakers term 'the American ideal' of land ownership that it is difficult to conceive that public opinion is now trending in that direction. After making these recommendations, the commission further advised: "We believe that this if carried out wisely and intelligently will have a large share in minimizing industrial unrest and in adding to the wealth of the nation, both materially and in the quality of its citizenship."

THINKS CANAL CAN BE REOPENED IN SIX MONTHS

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) BOSTON, February 9.—J. R. Freeman, an engineer who recently inspected the Panama Canal, and the Galliard canal, announced last night that he believes the canal can be permanently reopened within six months.

MORE FUEL OIL TANKS FOR HAWAII

Manager of Standard Oil Marine Department Arrives To Locate Plants, Is Report

With the arrival in Honolulu yesterday of J. C. Rolfe, manager of the Standard Oil Company's marine department, came a story from apparently reliable sources that the big concern contemplates establishment of fuel oil stations at Kahuahua, Maui, and a number of other points in the islands.

Standard Oil first entered the Hawaiian field as direct competitor on a large scale with the Associated and Union Oil Companies for the fuel oil business last March, when it erected two big tanks at Iwilei, each with 60,000-gallons capacity, to supply shipping in Honolulu harbor. It was generally thought at that time that the move was the company's first step in a general competitive campaign for the fuel trade in the Territory and the coming of Mr. Rolfe yesterday, it is said, heralds the second and larger stage in expanding its field of operations here.

Asked to confirm the report, Mr. Rolfe declined to discuss it, referring his inquiries to A. S. Prescott, district manager of the company here. Mr. Prescott declared he knew nothing of the company's intention for the purpose of Mr. Rolfe's visit, except that the latter had come "for a little visit and vacation."

It is understood that Mr. Rolfe will be in Kahuahua by the steamer Lurline today and that he will go later to Kailua and Kailua. As manager of the Standard Oil Company's marine department, Mr. Rolfe has charge of all its tankers in the Pacific. His headquarters are in San Francisco.

Incidentally, Mr. Rolfe is one of California's singles-tennis champions. He is a member of the California Tennis Club. Local players hope to interest him in the tennis tournament to be played in Honolulu during Carnival week and induce him to go against one of the best local talent at that time.

GERMAN LOSS NEARLY THREE MILLION MEN

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) LONDON, February 9.—The London Times, in a statement of the losses suffered by Germany since the beginning of the war, says that the German armies have lost more than 2,700,000 men. "Germany," the statement continues, "now has approximately 3,600,000 men in the field under arms, and her reserves amount to approximately 2,700,000 additional."

TOKIO CAR CRASHES INTO TRAIN, KILLING THIRTY

(Special Telegram to Advertiser.) TOKIO, February 8.—A Yokohama street car collided with a passenger train this morning, thirty passengers were injured. It is expected that many of the injuries will prove fatal.

QUICK RELIEF OF ITCHING ECZEMA

Was Surprising—Inflammation Reduced in a Few Hours and Cure Soon Followed—Boy's Torture Had Been Intense for Years—Friend's Child Had Eczema, Too.

MOTHER TELLS HOW CUTICURA CURED BOTH

"When my boy was six years old, he suffered terribly with eczema. He could neither sit, walk nor quietly in bed, for the itching was dreadful. He would scratch himself until he was raw, and then only made them worse. A doctor treated him and we tried almost everything, but the eczema seemed to spread. It started in a corner of the lower extremities and spread for two years until it very nearly covered the back part of his leg to the knee. I used two boxes of Cuticura Ointment, Cuticura Pills and gave them according to directions. I used them in the morning and throughout the day. It started to clear up, and then again and the improvement even in those few hours was surprising. The inflammation seemed to be so much less. I used two boxes of Cuticura Ointment, the same of the Pills and the Soap and my boy was cured. My son is now in his seventeenth year and he has never had a return of the eczema."

"I took care of a friend's child that had eczema on its face and limbs and I used the Cuticura Soap and Ointment. They acted on the child just as they did on my son and it has never returned. I would recommend the Cuticura Remedies to anyone. Mrs. A. J. Cochran, 1825 Columbia Ave., Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 20, 1909."

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HAWAII IN MAGNET THAT IS ATTRACTING MAINLAND TOURISTS

Carnival Will Inaugurate Season In Which Thousands Will Flock To Islands

HOW TO HANDLE VISITORS
WILL BE GREAT PROBLEM

Promotion Committee Is Busily Engaged Laying Plans For Accommodation of Visitors

"Hawaii is coming into her own as a great tourist recreation ground," said A. P. Taylor, secretary of the promotion committee yesterday, in speaking of the flood of letters requesting information about the islands that has been pouring into the office of the committee.

"Steamship companies, railroad companies, tourist agencies, hotels, lycum bureaus, publicity men, individual lecturers and a host of private persons have been writing to this office asking for information regarding the Isles of 'Desire.' It is amazing what the effect of judiciously applied publicity really can be. The people of the whole world are showing interest in Hawaii, and the tide of travel is turning here with a swiftness that has never before been equaled, except possibly in the case of Southern California, and there the publicity campaign expended thousands of dollars where we are spending hundreds."

Thousands Are Coming. "Four thousand tickets to Hawaii will be sold before the first of April by the railroad and steamship companies of the Chicago districts alone, if the reports we have received from that section of the country are borne out by events, and truly this is but the beginning."

"From the eastern states demands for information regarding the climate of the islands, the manufactures and industries here, the possibilities of home-making and a score of other things that persons who are planning to come here to live want to know. And many of the letters are from folk of local prominence, men and women who have done things or are doing things, but who want a fresh environment, where half of their lives will not be spent dodging an inclement climate."

Tourists Agencies Active. "The most significant feature of this development is the attitude of the big tourist agencies on the mainland. These have begun to show a real interest in the tourist traffic here. In the mail today I have received notification that Thomas Cook & Sons have started advertising their Hawaiian tours in earnest. The concern has issued a most attractive booklet giving all needed information about rates, climatic advantages, hotels and the like. The schedules of the Great Northern Pacific Steamship Company, the Matson Navigation Company and the Oceanic Company are given as fully as possible, as are the prices charged by the local hotels."

"This booklet and other literature is being spread broadcast over the mainland and other parts of the world, according to information I had from the promotion committee's representative at San Francisco."

Many Persons Turned Back. Mr. Hallon tells me that his own requests for information regarding Hawaii have increased many fold, and adds that the Cook agency has been unable to book all the would-be passengers to the islands because of the impossibility of getting the kind of accommodation the people demand in Honolulu. In other words, there is not enough first-class accommodations to go around, and some of the people who would have come here relinquish the idea when they are told of the facts of the case.

"The promotion committee is doing its best to arrange for the coming (Carnival) crowds, and today Mr. Dancy and I spent several hours gathering additional data regarding rooms and other accommodations giving all city which will be available when the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific dump their crowds on the pier ten days from now."

"The committee plans to send Mr. Dancy to Hilo to meet the Great Northern, so when time he will have the information the tourist needs to enable him to get quickly and comfortably settled in Honolulu."

BELIEVE LINER SUNK IN NORTH ATLANTIC

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) NEW YORK, February 9.—Insurance brokers of this city are of the opinion that the British steamer Orissa, a large passenger liner, has been sunk by a German submarine in the North Atlantic. The Orissa, Captain Pearson, left Antofagasta last Christmas, and has not been reported since then.

LAND COMMITTEE FAVORS NATIONAL PARK HERE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) WASHINGTON, February 8.—The public lands committee of the house today made a favorable report to the house upon the proposed bill creating a Hawaiian national park and including in it lands that are set aside the center areas of Kilauea and Mauna Loa on Hawaii and of Haleakala on Maui.